

## FIREMEN'S FIELD DAY SATURDAY

A Perfect Day and Lots of  
Fun for the  
Boys

### GAS MASK DEMONSTRATION

Speeches at the Dinner by  
our Fellow Townsmen

The second annual outing of the St. Johnsbury Fire Department was held on the Fair Ground Saturday. The department was well represented as only a very few firemen were absent and there were a number of former members of the department present. The large dining room of the Pavilion was neatly filled when all sat down to dinner which was well arranged and promptly served. The dinner was served by Mrs. S. J. Someville and the menu consisted of Fricassee chicken, mashed potatoes, green corn, squash, Parker House rolls, apple pie, blueberry pie, toasted crackers and cheese pickles, tea, coffee and water.

After the cigars were passed around there were short speeches by George H. Cross, Harry H. Carr, Henry M. Cheney and several others.

The athletic sports opened in the forenoon with a ball game. The first event of the afternoon was the shot put. Andrew Dean threw the eight pound weight 45 feet, 1-2 inches and Dean Hall 42 feet, 6 inches.

This was followed by the gas mask demonstration.

This apparatus has been designed for enabling miners or firemen to make their way in safety through noxious atmosphere of smoke. The apparatus may be safely worn in the most poisonous atmosphere for from 30 to 50 minutes, according to the amount of exertion of the wearer. The wearer breathes through a mouthpiece and tube into a potash cartridge, the expired air passing over metal trays filled with granulated alkali which absorbs the gas, and thence into the breathing bag where it mixes with fresh oxygen which the wearer passes from time to time into the bag from the oxygen cylinder by means of a valve. The reinvigorated air is then re-inhaled after passing once more through the potash cartridge. Several of the firemen used the apparatus in a building filled with dense smoke caused by oil and wood waste burning, with the additional fumes from pyrene extinguishers, which is deadly poison. Some remained 10 minutes.

The relay flag race attracted much interest. Each relay of four men ran one-eighth of a mile. There were four relays, making the distance once around the track. The race was won by No. 3. The time for the half mile was 2 minutes and 20 seconds.

The greased barrel proved lots of fun for all the participants. The sport consisted of a three inch pipe oil barrel with holes cut through the pipe 16 feet long upon which there was an oil barrel with holes cut through the heads, allowing the barrel to slide back and forth on the pipe which had been greased. The pipe and barrel was placed horizontal, supported at the ends about 3 feet from the ground and a rope fastened to one of the supports, with the barrel stationed at the other end of the pipe. The aim was to sit straddle of the barrel and pull yourself to the other end of the pipe. This created more fun than any sport seen on the Fair Ground in many years, no one being able to perform the trick.

In the fat man's race the runners showed their usual good form and careful training. There were five entries and C. Whitney was first, Harry Conley second, Joe Walker third. F. Robinson and O. H. Adams "also ran." The time was 10 seconds.

In the tug of war Archie Campbell of No. 2 and William Mathews of No. 6 were the respective captains and in a one minute pull Capt. Mathews' team won. The ex-firemen then made up a team to pull Capt. Mathews' team and the latter were again winners.

The ball game was played between two teams captained by Arthur Allison and Alphonse Lapane. The game was won by Capt. Allison's team, the score being 5 to 2. Later the winners played a game with another team captained by Frank Lynch and also won this game 6 to 4.

The day was pleasant with not a very bright sun and an ideal one for outdoor sports. The committees having the affair in charge worked hard and were successful in making all arrangements for the second annual firemen's field day which will remain a pleasant memory for all who attended. The committee having the affair in charge were:

No. 1, Henry Donahue, Charlie Rice, Verne Aiken, Ralph Buell.  
No. 2, Bert Moore, Ed. Brunelle, A. J. Allison, M. A. Smith.

## TEACHERS AT ST. J. ACADEMY

Four New Ones Engaged for the  
Coming Year

The list of teachers for St. Johnsbury Academy contains the names of four new ones: Miss Helen A. Winship, Miss Ruth M. Parker, Miss Hallie Buckley and Miss Ellen C. Magoon. Mr. Waterman, who left last year on account of sickness, is back again. Fred W. Porter is in the officers' training class at Springfield, Mass., and Miss Brownell has another position.

The teaching force is as follows: Joseph A. Davis, Latin, St. Johnsbury.

Miss Helen A. Winship, English, Mathematics 351 Main St., Cumberland Mills, Me.

Miss Ruth M. Parker, Science, North Windham, Me.

Miss Mary C. Root, Science and English, North Craftsbury.

Miss Hallie Buckley, Commercial Branches, 169 Green street, Berlin N. H.

Miss Helen Perry German and English, Rockland, Me.

Randall Waterman, history, 189 Ivy St., Providence, R. I.

G. Maurice Ingalls, Industrial Arts, St. Johnsbury.

Miss Carrie Farnham, German, French, and Spanish, The Preston, Marlboro, Mass.

William Aoyt, Mathematics, North Anson, Me.

Miss Mary R. Davidson, English, Auburndale, Mass.

Miss Bertha O. Stilson Latin, Proctor.

Miss Ellen Colby Magoon, English, 77 Bunker Hill, Lancaster.

Miss Azub Stackpole, Stenography, and Typewriting, 53 River St.

Mrs. Harold Powell, Domestic Science and Arts, St. Johnsbury.

### MONDAY'S ADDRESS

An Esteemed Subscriber Hopes to  
See the Speech in Public Print

Editor Caledonian:

The undersigned was a privileged listener to Judge Stafford's remarkable paper on "A Look Ahead" at the Woman's Club meeting this afternoon. And it is certainly impertinent for me to comment upon the luminous way in which the subject was handled, and especially to note the eloquence and grace and diction. His great reputation needs no words from me. The paper was emphatically an uplift, an inspiration, a wondrous cry for justice and the right, for all that is best in civilization that prizes the blessings of liberty and a victorious peace. But this paper assuredly ought to be published! Would it be presumptuous, for a mere man, to suggest to the officers of our Woman's Club to ask Judge Stafford's permission for its publication? I understand well the distinction between the living voice and the printed page. Nevertheless I feel its publication would do much good.

Yours truly,  
ALFRED POOLE GRINT  
St. Johnsbury, Sept. 3, 1918.

### FRANK E. HOWE RECOVERS

Candidate for Governor Leaves  
Heaton Hospital

Howe, candidate for governor, left Heaton Hospital, Montpelier, Saturday afternoon and is stopping at the home of Willis Cummings. Mr. Howe expects to leave the latter part of this week for his home in Bennington.

### SUGAR STATISTICS

Price in the United States Lower  
than Elsewhere

Montpelier, Sept. 4—The total sugar consumption in the United States for 1917-18 was \$218,582,000 pounds. In Great Britain the total consumption for 1916 amounted to 3,131,198,000 pounds. In France for the same period it was 1,141,242,000 pounds, in Italy, 553,906,000 pounds; while in Canada, for the year ending March 31, 1917, the total amount of sugar consumed was 704,400,000 pounds.

The wholesale cost of sugar per hundred pounds on May 1st was \$8.07 in Canada, \$12.59 in England, \$12.28 in France and \$26.30 in Italy, as compared with \$7.30 in this country. The average wholesale cost per hundred pounds in the Allied countries was \$12.52 1-4, so that if the United States had paid the same price for sugar as that paid by the Allied countries, our national sugar bill would have been increased by \$429,198,864.50.

In Sweden, sugar is now selling at 14 cents a pound, Spain at 19 cents, Brazil at 25 cents, Portugal at 21.4 cents and India at 14 cents.

The present retail price of sugar in the United States is 8 1-2 to 10 cents per pound.

No. 3, Fred Wright, Fred Blay, John Grady.

No. 6, Frank Lynch, Ernest Cross, H. E. Gray, Martin T. Carr.

H. and L. James Baldwin, W. J. Cox.

H. J. Marden, Central Station, Marshal.

B. L. Hall, Scorer.

## U. S. RECOGNIZES CZECHO-SLOVAK GOVERNMENT

Will Take up Formal Re-  
lations With the New  
Allies

### PROF. MASARYK IS CZECH PRESIDENT

Action May Result in Re-  
creating Eastern  
Front

Washington, Sept. 3—Recognition of the Czech-Slovaks as a de facto belligerent government was extended by the United States today.

To further aid their war against empires, Secretary of State Lansing formally notified the Czech-Slovak National Council, through its head, Dr. Masaryk, that the United States is prepared formally to enter into relations with the de facto regime.

The purpose of recognition would be prosecuting the war against the common enemy.

This important action of the government is expected to deal a vast blow to Bolshevism in Russia and to solidify the Czechs fighting the Hun.

"The Czech-Slovak people," said Secretary Lansing, "having taken up arms, and having placed organized armies in the field which are waging war against those empires under officers of their own nationality and in accordance with the rules and practices of civilized nations, and the Czech-Slovaks having in prosecution of their independence proposes in the present war to confer supreme political authority to the Czech-Slovak National Council."

"The government of the United States recognizes that a state of belligerency exists between the Czech-Slovaks thus organized and the German and Austro-Hungarian empires."

France, Great Britain and Italy have also recognized the Czech-Slovak national council and the Czech-Slovak army.

The recognition of the Czech-Slovak national council as a de facto government will give Prof. Masaryk, its president, a diplomatic status in Washington.

A Czech-Slovak legation will ultimately be established. Whenever he is in Washington Prof. Masaryk will act as the diplomatic representative of the council.

### BALL GAME POSTPONED

Weather Conditions Unfavorable for  
Opening Contest

Chicago, Sept. 4—Today's game in the world's series was postponed until Friday on account of rain. Although the demand for the reservation of seats has not come anywhere near to that of previous years, Business Manager Craighead of the Chicago club said the interest in the series was general. Some of the tickets have found their way into the hands of scalpers, but their harvest has been reduced to a minimum.

### R. F. D. CARRIER HONORED

Reception to Hartwell D. Moore

On Tuesday evening a company of about 100 gathered at the home of Harley H. Hutchins to attend a party given in honor of Hartwell D. Moore, carrier on rural route No. 2, who has just completed 16 years of service for the patrons of that route.

A delightful social evening was enjoyed with dancing as the principal feature and during the evening the guest of honor was presented with a purse of money, Mr. Hutchins making the presentation speech. Refreshments of coffee, sandwiches and cake were served and young and old danced the hours away until long past midnight.

### FIFTY CLUB MEET

Mrs. Hastings and Mrs. Morris  
Hostesses

The Fifty Club held an interesting meeting Tuesday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Jane Hastings and Mrs. Jane Morris were the hostesses at the home of the latter. After the usual order of exercises were over there were readings by Mrs. Jennie Perkins and Mrs. Charles Woodbury had an interesting paper and pictures of St. Petersburg, Charleston, St. Augustine and many other places she had visited while in the south.

At six o'clock they adjourned and afterward enjoyed a bountiful supper. The hostesses were assisted by Mrs. C. Johnson and Edline Morris. The evening was passed with cards and pleasant conversation. The hostesses received from the club many gifts.

Mrs. Hastings had a large basket of sweet peas and presented some to each member as they were leaving.

Over a thousand colored men have been commissioned as captains and lieutenants in the United States army.

## WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING MONDAY

Splendid Patriotic Address by Judge  
Wendell P. Stafford

The September meeting of the St. Johnsbury Woman's Club was held in Pythian hall Monday afternoon and was very largely attended both by members and guests.

At the business session these associate members were admitted: Miss Helen Perry, Miss Mary Davidson, Miss Bertha Stetson, Miss Azub Stackpole, Miss Carrie Farnham, Miss Winship.

It was suggested that the Woman's Club start the movement to save the peach stones for making the carbon for gas masks, and it was announced that a report would be made later of who would have this matter in charge and how the pits and nutshells would be collected.

The matter of setting aside a certain time each day for a short prayer for the soldier boys was favorably considered and a committee will be appointed by the president to confer with the ministers in regard to the matter.

The civics committee announced that four seats had been placed in Court House Square for the benefit of the public.

The library committee reported that the sum of \$10 had been appropriated for the repairs on the books in the school library.

The meeting was then turned over to the travel and current events committee, Mrs. Alvin W. Flint, chairman, who presented Mrs. P. C. Brooks. The latter favored the audience with three songs which received hearty applause.

Mrs. Brooks has a wonderfully rich and clear voice and added much to the enjoyment of the afternoon's program.

The address of the afternoon was given by Judge Wendell P. Stafford of Washington and St. Johnsbury, who was very gracefully presented by Mrs. Flint. Judge Stafford's subject was "A Look Ahead" and it was a wonderfully vivid and eloquent presentation of how the conquest of the air had changed all our relations with men and nations; of the absolute necessity of having peace "made in Germany"; and of the fact that this was a war of ideas and that we must continue to carry on the fight until peace with victory is secured.

Judge Stafford was frequently interrupted in the delivery of his address with outbursts of applause and the address was enriched with much poetry some of it original, and many striking illustrations from the classics.

### MOVIES FOR THE GRAND FLEET

How the Watchful Crews Get Their  
Diversion

London, Sept. 4—The arrival of the mail at the Grand Fleet on Friday is unusually important for in addition to the usual mail bags, each postman brings the moving picture films for the week.

"Good films this week corporal" inquires the officer of the watch as the postman reports.

As he goes forward to his office to sort the mail eager questions are asked him as to the nature of the films.

The Grand Fleet "movies" are conducted by a committee of officers and practically every ship in the fleet subscribes to purchase films.

### Y. M. C. A. MEN ACTIVE

Distinguished Members on the Marne  
Salient

With the French Armies, Sept. 4—American Y. M. C. A. workers attached to the Moroccan division of the French army distinguished themselves by their heroism during the recent offensive on the Marne salient. They took an active part in relieving the wounded of the division, were under constant shell, rifle and machine gun fire and had many miraculous escapes. They carried water, cigarettes and food to the fighting men and acted as interpreters, many of the men of the division being of different nationalities.

### MARRIED AT MILES POND

Pretty Home Wedding Here Satur-  
day Night

(Special to the Caledonian)  
Miles Pond, Aug. 31.—At 9 o'clock this evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Thomas of Miles Pond, occurred the marriage of their youngest daughter, Lena Alberta, to Leo Spring Brown, both of Miles Pond.

The bride was very becomingly gowned in lemon fairy silk and white silk ribbon and lace. The bridal couple stood under an arch of evergreen, sweet peas and potted plants. The bridesmaid was Grace Wood of Concord, aunt of the bride, and the best man was Richard Demanche of St. Johnsbury. The bridesmaid was gowned in green satin. Rev. P. J. McInnis of Concord tied the nuptial knot. After the ceremony ice cream and cake were served. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and family, Mrs. Grace Wood, Richard Demanche, Fred Thomas, Henry Briggs, Rufus Young, and William Carter. Their many young friends wish them best wishes and congratulations.

# BRITISH TAKE MORE TOWNS AMERICAN AIRMEN SUCCESSFUL LENS STILL HELD BY GERMANS

## SEASON ENDS AT SUMMER CAMP

The Finale for 1918 at Camp Win-  
shewauka

(Special to the Caledonian)  
Lunenburg, Aug. 31—With the annual banquet on Wednesday evening the exodus from the camp began, though the greater number went on Saturday and three of the girls stayed over Sunday. The banquet was entirely in the hands of the girls of the camp with Katherine Clark of Baltimore toastmistress.

The affair was attended by many of the parents of the girls, who had gathered to enjoy the event and accompany their daughters home, besides the camp family. The camp songs were sung, the "W's" awarded for the season by K. O. Balch, and a general good time enjoyed by all.

The parents as well as daughters were most enthusiastic over the conduct of the camp and under normal conditions in the country at large the camp will be filled to the limit next year.

Some of those who attended the banquet were: Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jessor, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Misses Ann and Ella Wriggley and Helen Grimes, Mr. Lucius F. Grimes, Newark, N. J.; Mrs. Harry Widdecombe, Mrs. J. J.; Mrs. Harry Widdecombe, Mrs. S. D. Young, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. W. A. Hall, Haverhill, Mass.; Mrs. Winnifred A. Dunn, a former camper, Miss Hope Wright, Medford, Mass.; Katharine Clark, Baltimore, and Isabel Hoopes, Baltimore, with Mr. John A. Dunn, Gardner, Mass.; Miss Gertrude Lawson, Little Rock, Ark.; Miss Helen Crowell, director of music, Ashburnham, Mass.; Miss Ashley, dietitian, New Bedford, Mass.; Misses Elizabeth Shipley, Piqua, Ohio; Miss Frances Johnston, Troy, Ohio; Mrs. Lucas, camp mother, Misses Hill and Clark of Boston; Mrs. Jordan and daughter Ruth of Portland, Me.; all of whom left for their homes by train and auto on Saturday.

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## NEVER RETREATED

American Forces Have Yielded No  
Ground

Paris, Sept. 4—The Americans, says the correspondent for Reuters in France, have so far never yielded ground in France, and they kept that proud record inviolate by their successful advance on Juvigny after three days and nights of the bitterest fighting. The correspondent says that the Americans encountered a stout hearted and extremely skilful enemy showing no signs of a lowered morale.

## OFF FOR CAMP DEVENS

Ten Boys From Orleans County  
Started Wednesday Morning

Newport, Sept. 4—Following are the names of the 10 boys from Orleans county who entrained this morning for Camp Devens: Clayton H. Wilson, Barton; Percy D. Lahue, North Troy; Burton L. Martin, North Craftsbury.

Foster J. Urie, West Glover; Leon C. Cheney, Derby Line; Perley L. Wells, Irasburg; Herbert J. Bickford, North Troy; Elvin H. Colburn, East Charleston; Earl J. Westover, North Troy; Preston M. Degreenia, Barton.

Under another call 10 more boys will leave Thursday morning for Camp Upton, N. Y.

## MANY PRISONERS

Taken by the Thousands Since July  
15

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On the French front 75,900 prisoners and 700 guns had been captured by the French since July 15.

## LENINE STILL LIVES

Crisis Expected within Three Days  
London, Sept. 4—The condition of Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier against whose life an attempt was made Friday, has become highly critical, says a Moscow despatch. The surgeons removed the bullet from his body today and the crisis is expected within three days.

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## TOWN HISTORY

Public Meeting Called for the Barret  
Book Now Being Written

Barnet, Sept. 4—Horace J. Warden, Rev. C. B. Bliss and John G. Roy, the initial committee for the publishing of a town history, have called a public meeting at the library Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of getting organized. The work of preparing the history is getting along finely and already 10 chapters have been written by Fred P. Wells, the historian of Newbury.

## HENRY WILLIAM COWLES

A Native of Ryegate Died at Med-  
ford, Mass.

Medford, Mass., Sept. 4—Henry William Cowles died here August 29, aged 74 years and 9 months. He was born in Ryegate, being the son of George and Mary (Bradley) Cowles. The burial was in the family lot with his parents and sister, Jane Elizabeth Cowles, in the cemetery at Peacham.

## WHITMAN AN EASY WINNER

Defeats His Rival Nearly Three to  
One

Returns from 4282 districts out of 5782 give Governor Whitman 205,662, Lewis 83,598. In 3834 districts Lieut. Governor Schoenbeck has 135,627, Bennett 59,991, Hancock 27,909. On the democratic ticket 3881 districts give Smith 178,377, Osborn 23,276.

## SOLDIER-BOY NEWS

Parents and relatives who receive news of any kind regarding the boys over-seas will confer a great favor on the Caledonian and the public at large by telephoning the Caledonian office at once. No class of news is of such great and vital interest to everyone. Call 660.

## THE CASUALTY LIST

Only One Vermonter Reported  
Washington, Sept. 4—The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Forces:

Killed in action	110
Missing in action	170
Wounded severely	309
Died of wounds	21
Died from accident and other causes	11
Wounded, degree undetermined	160
Died of disease	23</